

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Shadowlawn Middle School Band on their outstanding performance in the governor's inaugural parade.

WHEREAS, many can read music and play an instrument; few can give the notes warmth, depth, and a range of emotion, giving the music life and a mood of its own; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Shadowlawn Middle School Marching Band are such gifted musicians, playing with unparalleled enthusiasm; and

WHEREAS, it was with great honor that the Shadowlawn Band received a deserved invitation to perform in Governor Sundquist's Inaugural Parade on January 21, 1995.

Shadowlawn was the only middle school band in our great state to have this opportunity; and

WHEREAS, practicing every day after school, the Shadowlawn Middle School Marching Band's members have demonstrated exemplary talent, a professional spirit, and a commitment to excellence in the field of music; and

WHEREAS, the Shadowlawn Band has received numerous awards and accolades in marching and concert competitions and festivals; and

WHEREAS, performing with the utmost talent and precision, they were the first place winners in the 1994 Collierville Christmas and Bartlett Christmas parades; and

WHEREAS, 82 members won first and second place honors in the West Tennessee Solo and Ensemble Festival, and five of the student musicians made the All-West Tennessee Band; and

WHEREAS, in addition to these remarkable accomplishments, the Seventh and Eighth Grade Concert Groups rated superior in concert and sight-reading at the West Tennessee Concert Band Festival; and

WHEREAS, much of the outstanding success of the Shadowlawn Middle School Band is directly attributable to the expertise and diligence of the band director, Jeff Cozzens; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Cozzens has earned the respect and admiration of his peers; he was the distinguished recipient of the Outstanding Young Band Director in Tennessee award in 1994 and was honored with a guest conductorship of the Northwest Mississippi Junior High Honor Band; and

WHEREAS, also deserving of special commendation are the many parents who actively support the band and the musical interests of their children; and

WHEREAS, it is only fitting for this General Assembly to recognize such a talented group of gifted artists, their great contributions to the band sound and exceptional achievements; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, That we honor and congratulate the Shadowlawn Middle School Band on their invitation to, and exceptional performance in the governor's inaugural parade, commending them and Mr. Cozzens for their outstanding accomplishments as the premier middle school band in our state.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.